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because it is going to have a normal school in Fort Worth can injure Decatur, or effect the usefulness of the state institute at that place, or that there is any occasion for all this farore. It is a tempest in a teapot anyhow.

A SUIT for slander, by W. A. COOK who made the preliminary examination, which resulted in an indictment BREWSTER who prosecuted the ease, is modes and methods y which that stupendous judicial rec. was con-

still have hope that the Galveston vice reform to the contrary, News will absorb some of the spirit of enterprise which characterizes the GAZETTE, but the News is rather old to become enthusiastic or vigorous.

THE Statesman is not satisfied with the "preliminary announcement" made by the university regents. It objects to its grammatical construction, as calculated to mislead those who desire to matriculate. Some one should be employed to prepare announcements for the regents, and the GA-ZETTE nominates the Statesman for the position.

THE Virginia editors have settled their trouble by the exchange of shots, and BIERNE is relieved of the charge of lying by better display of markmanship than his antagonist. This seems, and indeed is farcical, but is it not bet the Republican ticket. Since ter that these men should meet in a carpet-baggism and federal offices of "Al oniet wood and shoot at each other, than on a crowded street or room, where there would be a stronger probability of some innocent bystander earrying away the lead, than the one for whom it was intended. Either custom is barbarous, the former is pre-ferable as less likely to do injury to disinterested parties.

out of politics while they can de so volout of politics while they can do so voluntarily, and not be forced to voluntarily, and not be forced to voluntarily. He is too decent a tary retirement. BLAINE, who a few months ago was sawing the air, and whose utterances "shook the forum round and round," is engaged in the peaceful occupation of writing a book.

CAMERON is going out of the country, and CONKLING is practicing law.

LOGAN, alone of the prominent leads the pasty has not heard ablest men in the party and most respectable are Alvin Hawkins and Emperor and Etheridge. The former was in slogan, and is running an imaginary race for the presidential nomination in 1884. Even Senator EDMUNDS has lost all interest in public gatherings, and is heard from but occasionally. These men are Then, all far-seeing and shrewd politicians; they see the handwriting on the wall, and are quietly slipping out of the way that they may not be caught in the and Grant, the rest of the state, to the

The Daily Gazette been a close reader of the GAZETTE and has become equipped that missionary work is as badly needed in America as in Africa or Abysinia. turpitude existing in this country which should be eliminated. He is reported as saying in his closing arguin the examination of one hundred witnesses he had developed a rich mine One year

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THE chances for improving the civil service by means of the commission provided for under the PENDLETON bill are not encouraging. The comboards, instead of sending strangers to each locality, select local examiners who are acquainted with the political preferences of all applicants for examination, and these preferences will have more weight in determining the qualifications of aspirants for office than answers to any of the questions during the summer months can have propounded. This state of affairs is publicans in office, and it would save old Abe' and were time and money if the examdoors "no Democrat need apply." The same rule may be followed after The Decatur Tribune prognosticates | the lnauguration of a Democratic presfearful things to happen to Fort Worth, ident in 1885. It has been recently discovered that there is nothing in school. We fail to see how a normal the law restricting the power of removal from office, and a Democratic president can remove at will, and the vacancies will be filled with Demqualification from a Democratic board of examiners. Men somehow seem to lose their individuality when they beof the star route conspirators, against and do things in their official capacity which they would scorn to do as an and "feeling for his drafted sire." effect. It is this idea that enables a Republican exa miner to see every-THE Heuston Post will soon blossom thing good in a Republican us an eight-page quarto, cut and pasted | who applies for office, and unmixed and published seven days in the week. evil in the Democratic applicant. The It will be observed that the GAZETTE positions will be reversed when parties has done a good work for Texas in the are, and the result will be that Demo-

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY DOOMED TO DEFEAT.

Its Fatal Policy-Gath as a Poet-Lamar's Sweet Song-Jones of Tennessee and Jones of Texas.

Special Correspondent of the Gazette, Washington, June 28.—The National Republican said, not many days ago, that "its party of grand moral ideas," and, it should always add,, "of vil-lainously immoral practices," could the Republican party in that state has never been decent, and Chalmers, in popular estimation, has been befouled by contact with the unclean thing. The one single Republican M. C. from Mississippi was successful because he had two competitors. It happens that stroy him. He was supported by po-THE leading Republicans are going therefore, it is commonly supposed litical free-thinkers of all classes, and,

gentleman. Tennessee, it was supposed a few menths ago, might possibly be bought by the pensions and claims system and by the judicious distribution of of-fices. Houk was made grand almoner. erson Etheridge. The former was in the capital not many days ago. Learning that Houk was the government recognized representative of Tennessee

nouncing the doom of Mahoneism. Mahone's papers are dying and his editors suiciding. He owned or controlled forty or more not long ago. All are dead or most buried. Negroes He has found a large stock of moral are not consumers of newspaper literature, and the thirty thousand whites of all classes that, not long ago co-per-ated with Mahone, have followed Massey, with the church he represents, ment in the Creek murder cases, that into the old rock-ribbed fortress of Democracy. But we only proposed to say that the blunder and crime of Republicanism in dealing with the of perjury and utter disregard South; and seeking to secure the votes . 10 00 of the obligations of an oath, of Southern states, consists mainly in criminally unwise selections made or men to represent the party in those worthy and benevolent gentle-men and ladies who are soliciting Whigs and Douglas Democrats and consolidating them against extreme Democracy, and instead of dividing this party, as Hayes once most wisely, as a Republican proposed, they have exhausted partisan ingenuity in consolidating the whites of the south, and there is no more possibility of Republican triumph in 1884 in any southern state than in the city of New York. "GATH" HIMSELF DOES SERVE TO SHOW THAT EVERY

WRITER IS NOT A POET.
"Gath," alias George Alfred Townsend in his sweet ingenious poem, pronounced before the old soldiers, spoke of this "virtuous city" of Washington hypothetically, as "the virgin city bathed in Washington's clear name!" manly and emphatic utterance, and It is a curious bath tub into which we will congratulate him if he succeeds are figuratively plunged, and then in directing public attention to the "Gaih" wants to know and earnestly inquires which one of the old army generals, as if they were all ghosts, "haunts your memories?" This grave inquiry constitutes two lines of the poem so ingenuously constructed that "haunt" jingles deliciously with "Grant." Then "Gath" tells us that "thoughtful love of country dies upon mission in appointing examining the sounding drum." It's a queer death-bed, and when she is dying the drum should be silent, and not "sound-ing." In fact, "Gath" should often be

silent when he is "sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal." "Gath" tells the amazed old soldiers that "Old Abe" was "Captain by the Constitution" and they were his "shield" and that he died upon the "battlefield," a figurative term for the house opposite Ford's old theatre; that the generals were "childish-willed," whatever that may be, and "leaned on were "filial mighty tomb, six-by-two he filled. Then "Gath" tells us that "mercy kept Lincoln grim as Moloch all the future babes to free and eternal peace to garner for the millions yet to be." Whose babies Moloch is going to liberate we are not informed, and how immense may be the McCormick's reaper to be used in "garnering" this 'eternal peace" we are not advised. We read, too, in these inimitable verses of "soldiers of the classics." These are commonly known as the aristocracy of West vacancies will be filled with Dem- as the aristocracy of West ocrats who receive their certificate of Point, originally a charity schoolbut now the hot-house for the produc, tion of the country's masters. But "soldiers of the classics" is a glassily, "Gathism" for "West Pointer." Percome politicians and office-holders, haps the queerest picture in the poem is that which presents old Abe in the act of "feeling for a doomed deserter" one of the possibilities. This is a case individual. Oaths of office in many instances have come to be regarded as next stanza tells that old Abe kept on in which the public would have no ina condition precedent to obtaining the and wetting their lines of office, and is of no further force and march with "his tears." This is rather steep but we must now confess, since "Gath" tells it, that old Abe was a Heraclitus rather than a Democitus-a weeping rather than laughing philoso-pher. To present him thus strikingly in both aspects is the privilega, and required the genius of 'Gath,' who, as a poet, uses a poet's beense. He never does this when turning loose improvement of its daily press. We crats will fill the offices, the civil ser- his prose. But there is not a figure of speech in the poem or statement of facts which is not sadly defective in its unity of beauty. Moreover the poem is historically senseless, and as a specimen of word painting is a most villain-ous daub. When "Gath" writes prose he is often most poetical; when he writes poetry he is prozy beyond all endur-

> involve injunctions which the facile letter-writer "Gath" should never forget or violate.

IS'NT IT REAUTIFUL? The splendid verses by Mirabeau B. Lamar, a famous and most eloquent president of the republic of Texas, have been ascribed to many authors, of vil-but never, in Texas, to any one save could Lamar. The song should be heard in not win in the next production, save through the co-operation tion, save through the co-operation with northern Republican states of, at at least, two of the south. While Chalmers bubbles up now and then in Mississippi, nobody imagines that ever again vote the company and from the older American states. The authorship of these verses has been claimed by one who claimed that 'All Quiet on the Potomae To-

ght."

O, lend to me, sweet nightingale,
Your music by the fountains;
And lend to me your cadences,
O, river of the mountains.
That I may sing my my branette,
A diamond spark in coral set,
Gem for a prince's coronet—
The daugnter of Mendoza.

How brilliant is the morning star,
The evening star how tender.
The light of both is in her eyes—
Their softness and their spiendor.
But for the lash that shades their sight.
They were too duriting for the light.
And when we shuts them all is niget—
The daughter of Mendors.

The daughter of Mendors.
O, ever bright and beauteous one
Bewildering and beguiling;
The inte is in thy silvery tones,
The rainbow is thy smiling.
And thine is, too, over hill and dell.
The bounding of the young gazelle,
The arrow's flight and ocean's swellsweet daughter of Mendora.

What, though perchance, we meet no more.
What though too soon we sever.
Thy form will float like emerald light,
lefore my vision ever.
For who can see and then forget
The glories of my gay brunette?
Thou art too bright a star to set—
Fa'r daughter of Mendoza!

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PERSONAL.

George W. Jones, of Tennessee, who was Tom Benton's literary executor, and served twenty consecutive years ing that Houk was the government recognized representative of Tennessee Republicanism, he was stricken with vomito, and Etheridge's anathermas made Memphis quake. Then, too, the party of grand moral ideas is on one side of the state between the committee, in place of Tom O'Connor, slain not long ago in Knoxville. He is a batchelor uncle of G. W. Jones, late member of congress from Bastrop, and it is proper to say that both uncle debt question in Tennessee and on the other side in Virginia, and while Houk and his district are for Arthur and Grant, the rest of the state, to the extent that is Republican, is for Blaine. that they may not be caught in the debris when the Republican temple comes crashing to the ground.

DISTRICT Attorney CORKHILL, of the District of Columbia, has evidently

and Grant, the rest of the state, to the extent that is Republican, is for Blaine, and there is no more possibility of voting Tennessee for Republicanism than Mississippi.

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